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For: SELECTING A TARGET OBJECT )  
IN THREE-DIMENSIONAL SPACE )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of this preliminary amendment in the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith. Applicants additionally request consideration of the remarks presented herein.